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The taxable residents of Appoquinimink Hundred, and all persons liable to pay tax in said Hundred, are hereby notified that the Taxes for the year 1908 are now due, and the undersigned Tax Collector for said Hundred, will be

AT THE OFFICE OF GEORGE M. D. HART,

IN TOWNSEND, DEL.,

SATURDAYS,

OCTOBER 3, 10, 17, 24 and 31, 1908.

From 1 to 5 o'clock, P. M.

EXTRACT FROM THE LAWS OF DELAWARE, GOVERNING THE COLLECTION OF TAXES OF NEW CASTLE COUNTY:

Tax bills can be obtained by making personal application to the Collector, or by sending written communication enclosing stamps.

An abatement of 5 per centum will be allowed on all taxes paid during the month of August.

WILLIAM C. MONEY,
Collector of Taxes for Appoquinimink Hundred

NEW YORK FASHIONS

There must be a whole army of people planning and working to supply the needs of small strangers from Babyland. Nothing more fascinating can be imagined than the display of such wares made at the various high grade shops and at the Exchanges.

Dainty Simplicity

Daintiness, combined with practical simplicity, is the most notable feature of all these baby outfits. Where lavish expenditure is indulged it goes for fine materials, and exquisite needlework and embroidery, rather than for fussy elaboration which is reckoned altogether bad taste in a layette.

The Long Clothes

Sensible people confine their selection of the long clothes worn during the first six months of the baby's existence to a plentiful supply of little slips of nice material untrimmed except for lace at neck and sleeves and to the necessary long flannel skirts for day and night wear which may be of the finest, softest flannel daintily embroidered or simply finished with featherstitched hems. They wait until short clothes are donned to provide regulation dresses and more elaborate apparel.

Acceptable Presents

Little wrappers and Nightingale sacks of cashmere prettily emroidered are favorite presents always acceptable, and one is sure to receive a few hand made dresses suitable for any important occasion; like the Christening or Christmas holiday gathering, when the baby is to be very much in evidence. All sorts of warm knitted blankets, and afgans, and wraps of embroidered flannel, or tufted silk, are useful and attractive gifts, that add to the comfort and pleasure of the recipients.

The Best Styles in Skirts and Shirts

Little woven shirts of fine ribbed material that button down the front like coats are the best style garment in this class. These are all wool, silk, or mixtures and have a tab at the lower front edge to hold the shield pin and keep the baby's garments together so that they will be smoothe and not slip, thus adding materially to his comfort.

Short Clothes for Boys and Girls

At six months most babies are put into short clothes and the wise mother has the first flannels, etc ,of a length that will cut into two garments of the same sort.

From the time when short clothes are donned Fashion decrees that the boys outfit shall be marked by a certain simplicity of style and tailor like finishes and trimmings to proclaim his place and differentiate his apparel from the girlish daintiness proper to his sisters.

A Pratical Suggestion

At six months mothers are apt to have an anxious, and babies a most uncomfortable time, for this is the period when the weaning is usually accomplished. An easy way to get over this, is to begin giving the baby one or two daily feedings of a high grade, prepared baby food like Nestle's in connection with his natural sustenance. Most children need additional feeding after the first three months, some even earlier, and if this plan is followed, the child is so accustomed to the scientifically prepared food, that the weaning can be made without any fretting or physical disturbance.

The New "Cosy"

One of the sensible pretty novelties shown this season is a warm sleeping bag of eiderdown flannel double-faced, blue and white, or pink end white, bound with ribbon matching the color and tied with soft bows of the same. These are termed "Cosies" and when the child is safely tucked and tied into the warm nest that they form, he is perfectly protected from any draught or sudden change of temperature, and can get all the fresh air that he needs without fear of chill.

ELEANOR FRANCE.

BRYAN AND HIS MANY "REFORMS"

If we could get good government either by bills or by declamation, Mr. Bryan would be the greatest statesman this country ever produced. He is prolific in both. Glance for a moment at the reforms in government for which Mr. Bryan —who is still a comparatively young man —has stood:

Free coinage of silver at the ratio of 16 to 1.

Government and state ownership of railroads.

Federal licensing and regulation of railroads.

Municipal ownership of public utilities.

To prevent the duplication of directors among competing corporations.

Prohibition of any corporation controlling more than 50 percent. of any product.

To require a corporation controlling 25 per cent. of the product in which it deals to take out a Federal license.

The initative and referendum.

Compulsory arbitration of labor disputes.

Popular election of Federal judges.

Federal guarantee of bank deposits.

Self-government for the Philippines.

We give a few of the "reforms" with which Mr. Bryan's name is identified Can any man read them and not subscribe to this estimate of the Democratic candidate policies pronounced by Governor Hughes of New York:

"If all that Mr. Bryan has favored during the last twelve years had been enacted into law, we should have been overwhelmed with disaster and would regard it as our chief business in the future to find a way of escape from the meshes of ill-considered legislation in which we should have been entangled. It is fortunate for him as well as for us that he was defeated, and whatever may be his present political potentiality can be ascribed to the fact that hitherto he has not been permitted to carry out his program."

That is the truth. Let anyone who intends to vote for Mr. Bryan ask himself the question, What would have happened had the things Mr. Bryan favored been enacted into law?

DOES IT PAY?

Somebody has figured out that the average boy who is dependent upon his parents for a livelihood until he reaches the age of twenty-one years costs them four thousand dollars. On this basis of calculation a brood, for instance, of six boys would represent an outlay of twenty-four thousand dollars by the time they get away from the home roost. The question arises does it pay to raise boys and are there no other crops that would prove more profitable? If a boy turns out to be a cigarette fiend with a breath like a turkey buzzard and a laugh that would make the untored donkey feel perfectly at home in his society and with an untrammeled and unconquerable desire to avoid work, it is safe to say that his parents might have invested their four thousand dollars at much better advantage. But if the boy grows up to manhood with the lesson well learned that wealth and success grow only on bushes watered by the sweat of one's brow, the parents need not begrudge whatever they have spent on him, for he will be a source of increasing pride and joy to their hearts, and when they grow old and their hands tremble and their legs wabble and their step is slow and faltering they have two strong arms to lean upon and help them over all the rough places that lie in their twilight path.

VERY SIMPLE

Every little while we read in the paper that someone has run a rusty nail in his foot or other portion of his body and lockjaw resulted therefrom and the patient died. If every person was aware of a perfect remedy for such wounds and would apply it, then such reports would cease. The remedy is simple, always at hand, can be applied by anyone—what is better, it is infallible. It is simply to smoke the wound or any wound that is bruised or inflammed with a woolen cloth. Twenty minutes in the smoke will take the pain out of the worst case of inflammation arising from such a wound. People may sneer at this remedy as much as they please, but when they are afflicted with such wounds, let them try it.

EMPLOYING FOREIGN LABOR

The Delaware farmers have begun to employ the Bohemians and other foreign laborers who were recently brought here to operate the canning factories, but have now been thrown out of this work by the sudden shortening of the tomato crop. The foreigners have been first put to cutting corn, one of the hardest and heaviest all-day jobs a farmer has, and they are giving satisfaction almost everywhere. It is believed that many of them will be retained in this State as farm laborers and houses will be built for the accommodation of the families of those of them who are married. In the dull winter months they can be kept at work cutting cordwood into fuel or pruning in the fruit orchards. The immigrants themselves like the mild weather, the open country and the opportunity to earn good food, accommodations and save money beside in Delaware.

SENSIBLE ADVICE

The habit of indulging in the use of profane or obscene language is one of most nonsensicial habits a human being ever acquired. No man or youth ever raised himself in the estimation of saint or sinner by the use of foul language. Purity of thought and speech are valuable virtue. And yet, its our honest opinion that the man who unwittingly "cusses" a little now and then, is not half so big a sinner as the fellow who continually thinks evil and speaks evil of his neighbors, and refuses to pay his honest debts upon the theory that "Jesus paid it all, all the debt I owe." If the pulpits of the land would "go after" the fellows who refuse to pay their honest debts and to love their wives and their fellowmen "go after" them as vigorously as they go after the fellows who "cuss and chew tobacco," the true reformation of the race might be nearer at hand.

SCIENTIFIC NOTES

A government expert has figured out that by the year 2055 the United States will be using more than 2,000,000,000 tons of coal a year. The average annual production in the decade from 1916 to 1926 is put at 600,000,000 tons. The total production in 1907 was 480,450,042 tons. The official predicts that future generations "will have so far developed methods of subduing and utilizing other forces of nature that the need of coal for the production of heat, light and power will to a great extent have been eliminated." Since the bonanza anthracite beds have been practically exhausted the mining of the deeper and thinner beds will increase the cost, which must be made up by higher prices. It is doubted "if the production of anthracite will ever greatly exceed the production of 1907, which was about 76,000,000 gross tons."

Denmark is to convert its wind power into electrical purposes. It is stated that a wind of fifteen miles an hour will produce eight horse power, and that a twenty mile gale will develop eighteen horsepower. As the power of many windmills can be concentrated and made to serve a single plant, there is infinite possibility in this resourse in any section blessed with frequent winds of considerable force.

Prof. George P. Merrill, head of the department of geology of the United States national museum, has gone to Butte, Mont., to be present at a number of deep borings to be made in Canyon Diabolo crater, the cause of which has been a puzzle to geologists ever since it was brought to their attention. Some men of science believe the depression to be an extinct volcano and others to be the record of the impact of a huge meteor which struck the earth centuries ago.

The second Internal Anatomical Congress will be held at Brussels, Belgium, in 1910. Brussels offers many advantages for such a congress, and the city has an established reputation for its hospitality toward scientific guests.

A canvass of its membership was recently made by the officers of the Royal Geographical Society for the purpose of ascertaining the attitude of the members upon the question of the admission of women. The number of voting papers sent out was 870, and 477 replies were received. Two hundred and forty-eight fellows were in favor of the admission of women as fellows, and 217 against their admission, but of this number 84 were in favor of their admission as associates.

A cord of wood ordinarily yields about one ton of mechanical pulp or about one half ton of chemical pulp.

It is claimed that the harbor facilities of Montreal are almost as good as those of Liverpool and have cost much less.

The inscriptions on an old coin which has been worn smooth may be often deciphered by placing it on a red-hot iron.

A movement has been started in the scientific world favoring the adoption of the word Kelvin to designate the commercial unit of electrical energy at present known as the kilowatt-hour, as a recognition of the services of the late Lord Kelvin in the advancement of electrical science.

To ascertain whether the northern part of Alaska is land or sea, a Danish explorer Captain Ejnar Mikkelsen, has been spending two years in that section. He has recently returned to Copenhagen. His headquarters were at Flaxman Island, from which point many trips were made while exploring the surrounding land and sea. About 40 miles from the coast the party found mountains from 10,000 feet to 12,000 feet in height, hitherto not marked on any map, and Mr. Leffingwell, companion of Mr. Mikkelsen, undertook some geograpical researches. In March, 1907, Captain Mikkelsen, Mr. Leffingwell and the mate of the Duchess of Bedford, a Norwegian named Storkersen, started in three sledges with 18 dogs on a trip over the ice toward the north. The thermometer showed 56 degrees Centigrade below zero; nevertheless, they often came across big crevices among the ice floes. About 50 miles from shore they found water which they sounded with a newly invented machine to the depth of 800 metres without reaching bottom. Sixty miles farther on no change was recorded, until at last turning towards the southeast, they found bottom. Captain Mikkelsen was thus able to prove that deep water exists north of Alaska to a great distance. On the return journey thick fogs enveloped everything but on May 13, after 55 days of sledge journey, the explorers reached land again, only to find that the ship had been lost in the meantime. The ice pressure had proved too much for her, but the crew had saved all the instruments, food and utensils.

SCHOOL HAS BEGUN

They cut the pants of brother Jim
To fit the legs of little Tim.
Ah, me! 'twas years ago when Bill
And I would chase and race and run
To reach the schoolhouse 'neath the hill
To pick out seats ere school begun.

Poor little Tim! He had to pose
Upon the low front seat; his toes
Were then two inches from the floor.
His brother Jim and Bill and I
Picked out our seats behind the door—
For reasons that were smooth and sly.

I see her yet—a prim, sedate,
Staid personage, who sat in state
Upon the little platform, where
She ruled with ruler, and with grim
Determination she would stare
Into the eyes of little Tim.

Poor little Tim! He seemed to grow
In wisdom on the front, seat row;
But us big fellows by the door
Were satisfied to peg away
And learn a little or no more
Than just enough to keep from play.

Upon the farm is brother Jim—
He wears the cast off pants of Tim.
Bill runs a rural barter store;
Yours truly on a salary small—
The chap who couldn't reach the floor
Will run for County Judge this fall.

—*Horace Seymour Keller in New York Sun.*

FARM NEWS AND VIEWS

Be sure to open furrows through the grain field to carry off the water when there is an excess of it.

Wire netting will keep the rats out of the corn-crib and give you a chance to put more money in the bank.

Clean the fertilizer attachment to the grain drill thoroughly before putting away. Oil the parts with kerosene.

Get at that leaky barn roof right away. If you don't, there will be a big leak in your pocketbook pretty soon for a new roof.

Every farmer should have an office, where his books, desk, writing materials, seed catalogues and seed samples will be right at hand. It pays.

When the carriage gets a bit rusty, wash it up nice and clean, then rub it over with a soft cloth dipped in linseed oil. Just a little will make it shine like a glass bottle. Don't drive the carriage out after wiping, until the oil is well dried in.

Be sure to run the mower over the stubble field this fall. There should be no tangled mat of grass or weeds left for field mice to harbor and breed under, safe from the crow and other birds which feed on such vermin. Otherwise the grass crop for next year may be greatly damaged.

Brother, did you ever stop to consider that men are responsible for the bargain-counter craze at which the cheap wits of the time hurl their barbs? If the average housewife was not expected to make twenty-five cents buy a dollar's worth of raiment and household supplies, she would never think of wearing herself out at the bargain-counter.

As both of the big parties promise tariff reform soon after election, it will be of interest to all farmers to recall just what the duties are on their products: On hogs brought into the United States there is a duty of $1.50 per head; $30 per head and up on horses and mules; $2 to $14 per head on cattle; 75 cents to $1.50 per head on sheep; 15 cents a bushel on oats; 25 cents a bushel on wheat; 10 cents a bushel on rye; 15 cents a bushel on corn; 15 cents a bushel on buckwheat; 30 cents a bushel on barley; 2 cents a pound on rice; 6 cents a pound on butter or cheese; 45 cents a bushel on beans; 3 cents each on cabbages; 5 cents a dozen on eggs; $4 a ton for hay; 20 cents a gallon on honey; 25 cents a bushel on potatoes; 4 to eleven cents a pound on wool; 2 cents a pound on lard and 3 cents a pound on poultry. Notwithstanding the above tariff on importations, there were the past year $414,000,000 farm products brought in. There are corresponding duties on the things he buys.

Prepare for early frosts.

Good time to dig borers out of the tree trunks. Use a small knife and a flexible piece of wire.

A winter overcoat of strawy manure is a good thing for the asparagus and rhubarb beds. Apply it now.

If you want long-keeping pumpkins and squashes, gather and store them before they are frosted. A cool, dry, frostproof room is a better place to keep them than a cellar.

Clean up all trash in the orchard. Mow the weeds (there shouldn't be any). Burn all rubbish. Then owls, hawks, cats and crows can readily see and catch all field mice.

Storing vegetables. Onions: Store in a loft rather than in the cellar. In the latter they will sprout, to their injury. A few parsnips for winter may be lifted, and stored in sand in the cellar; but, as freezing sweetens them, it is best to leave many of them outdoors for later use. Potatoes: Store in bins one foot or eighteen inches deep, raised somewhat from the floor. Do not bruise or they will be likely to rot. Roots in the nature of salsify and horseradish, freezing does not hurt, so the main lot may stay out where grown; but some should be dug and put in earth in the cellar for winter use. Spinach: Cover lightly with litter before winter. Sweet potatoes: Pack in boxes of dry earth, not having the roots touch each other; then store the boxes in a dry frost-proof place.

Cabbage heads can be kept from cracking by bending them down, breaking the roots on one side of the plant.

Winter celery will need banking. Do this when the ground is dry. Do not get soil into the heart of the plant; it will cause rot to set in.

Tomatoes, muskmelons and other tender fruits can be protected from the early frosts by covering with sheets. Although this is some work, if there are only a few plants the longer season of fruiting will amply repay you for the trouble.

Brussels sprouts and kale are two vegetables that are much better after they have been touched by the frost, as it improves the flavor wonderfully.

It is not too late to sow lettuce and radish seeds, to continue the succession. Do this in a cold frame, and you will have good lettuce for Thanksgiving.

Onions must be gathered at once. Dry them well and store them in an airy room in trays or crates with open sides and bottoms, so that there will be a good circulation of air among them.

Parsley can be had all winter long by transplanting a few roots into boxes. They will grow well in the kitchen or even in the cellar window.

Potatoes must be dug before the hard frosts come. Dry them so that the soil will rattle off easily, and store in a cool cellar.

We just received a large assortment of early fall walking hats for ladies and misses. If you need one see ours before you buy. A. FOGEL.

NOTICE TO FARMERS.—We contract in Delaware and Maryland for the best Wire Fence made. See us before buying and be convinced. ALGIRE & WILSON.

WASHINGTON LETTER

WASHINGTON, D. C., September 19th, 1908

It is expected that the President will be at the White House by the time this letter is printed. The Postmaster General George Von L. Meyer returned to his home in Washington yesterday. He has spent part of the summer outing, hunting and fishing in the North, at the family's summer home in Hamilton, Mass. It was there that Mrs. Meyer lost by burglary fifteen thousand dollars' worth of jewelry. Mrs. Meyer and her daughters, who spent the early summer abroad, are not expected home until next month. The Secretary of the Treasury and Mrs. Cortelyou who have been spending the summer at Huntingdon, Long Island, are expected home next week. They have been living on a farm with all modern improvements, it is said, and their young family, of whom there are four, have had a very enjoyable time. Mrs. Robert McKee, the daughter of a former President, Benjamin Harrison, and the mother of the once famous Baby McKee, is expected to spend a portion of the coming season in Washington. She is now with old friends, the family of Senator Elkins, at Elkins, West Virginia.

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All the arrangements for the opening of the Tuberculosis Congress on Monday the 21st, are well under way. The new National Museum will be the stage for the exhibition of the most up-to-date appliances for the prevention of the spread of consumption. When the hundreds of delegates from all parts of the world arrive, they will find the exhibits in a very complete state of preparation. Every arrangement has been made for taking care of the delegates and for making the gathering as perfect as possible in the way of accomodations. A large dining room is being fitted up on the first floor of the Museum and it is planned to supply more than two thousand delegates daily with food. Washington has had a wide experience with conventions. In many cases delegates and visitors have had difficulty in finding places to eat at a reasonable price. The restaurant accomodations of the city are not the best and when the city is overrun with visitors, many places put their prices up and try to rob the guests. Under the direction of Dr. Hickling a bureau of information has been established at the Union Station and every delegate will receive instructions concerning car lines, hotels and boarding houses. Interpreters speaking German, French, Italian and Spanish will be provided so that the foreign delegates will have little trouble in securing information.

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There is universal sympathy in the city for the sad accident which befell Orville Wright and Lieutenant Selfridge, when they fell from the 75 foot elevation in Wright's aeroplane. The past week, thousands of people from the city and other parts of the country have flocked in automobiles and in carriages to Fort Myer, where the wonderful experiments that have filled the world with expectation have been made. Great as has been the advance in recent months, resulting in flying feats at which the world wondered, it is now clear that the experimental stage has not yet been passed. A test at the hands of so competent a flyer as Orville Wright who has broken all records, was no doubt as promising as human ingenuity could make it, but human ingenuity cannot prevent accident with wagon, automobile or any machine, and when that accident happens in midair, it is necessarily more tragic and disastrous than on terre firma. Skeptics with reference to the success of flying machines are strengthened—and with reason—in their disbelief, and the accident at Fort Myer has proven almost conclusively that it will never be possible to use airships for long voyages or for the transportation of passengers. The slightest accident will force the machine to the ground and even if the passengers escape accident, the machine may be miles from a point where it can be repaired. Mr. Thomas A. Edison in a recent interview given in Salt Lake City predicted that in five years or less airships will be carrying passengers across the ocean making the trip in a day at the rate of two hundred miles an hour. Mr. Edison also predicts that the North Pole can and will be reached in a forty hour trip by an airship. But imagine an airship or an aeroplane crossing the ocean when some mishap occurs such as is daily occurring with the motor car for example. Either it would be thrown into the deep, or, if it were able to maintain itself in the air, it would not be possible to move or to repair the damage. The experiments will go on. They have received too great an impetus to be arrested, but it is probable that the youngest child to-day will not live to see the airship, whether aeroplane or balloon, commercially successful.

TAXATION FOR SCHOOLS

A new system of taxation for school purposes was discussed by Professor A. R. Spaid, county superintendent of schools at a meeting of the Holly Oak Public Service Association Monday night in the rooms of J. Allen Colby.

Under the present law live stock is taxed for school purposes on its real value, and the real estate is taxed on its rental value. It is the idea of Professor Spaid to have the school tax come under the head of the other county taxes and distributed to the school districts through the county treasurer and the school commissioners according to the assessment. Under this plan, accordingly, real estate would not be assessed for school purposes on its rental value, but on its real value, just as it is for county purposes.

Professor Spaid also favors an increase in the capitation tax for school purposes so that all would bear a proportion of school expenses. Mr. Spaid believes that the system of school taxation in Delaware is antiquated, and he desires to see the system adopted that prevails in nearly all the other States.

It is the purpose of the Holly Oak Association to interest residents in Brandywine hundred in a change of the school taxation system so that a request to the next Legislature for a change may have a strong backing.

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For Vice President:

JAMES S. SHERMAN.

OF NEW YORK.

THE RIGHT TREE

Under the caption "Barking up the wrong tree" *Every Evening*, takes THE TRANSCRIPT to task for its article on the burning of the ballots cast at the Democratic Primary Election, saying what every one knows that the Department of Elections of Wilmington is composed of four Republicans and one Democrat and that these men are responsible for the fraud, which it admits was "most unfortunate." It says:

"We hope our Republican contemporary, after learning of this fact will break forth afresh in its next issue and visit its just wrath upon these four Republicans and one Democrat whom it charges by implication, with having been guilty of a trick."

Now the facts of the case are, as *Every Evening* had every opportunity of discovering, and which we had investigated before commenting upon the matter, are, that the Secretary of the Department of Elections was instructed by the Chairman of the Democratic County Committee, Hon. Charles D. Bird, erstwhile candidate for Governor, to destroy the ballots, and the secretary did so, having no knowledge of contest or of the actual state of the canvass. The four Republicans and the one Democrat whom *Every Evening* desires to shove the blame over upon, had nothing whatever to do with the case. In fact, knew nothing of it until it was announced in the papers.

Every Evening also waxes indignant because THE TRANSCRIPT "insinuates" about fraud and irregularity in Democratic Primaries, and says that "no Democratic nomination in New Castle County held under the Primary Election law has ever been challenged on the ground of fraud and Mr. Rothwell made no such charge in his contest." There may have been no public challenge, for the very simple reason that since the Primary Election law was enacted, Democratic Primaries have been largely a matter of form. The law was passed in 1897, and the Republicans have carried the county at every election since. Candidates at a Primary Election in such cases do not challenge the result, but swallow the dose handed out to them. It is only in the majority party that protests and challenges are effective.

A PAGE FROM HISTORY

"We promise to redeem the good name of Delaware by filling important political places with men whose ability will be recognized and whose honesty and integrity cannot be questioned."

Thus saith the Democratic platform enuntrated at the Dover convention that was bossed by the unhidden hand of the special interests of the State in conjunction with a coterie of vengeance-seekers in the party.

It might be taken seriously, if the inventors of the platform did not have a past. If they could sponge from their slate the record of former years the voters might take heed. But platforms and party promises are judged by records. Eloquent platitudes in resolutions or on the stump do not suffice for the absence of homely virtues of common-sense manifest in concrete party action.

Many years of undisputed control in this State by the Democrats did not make these virtues manifest either in law-making or in law-administering. Years after the civil war, Delaware Democrats were struggling desperately to retain the organic law of the State that was a product of slavery times.

In defense of it were committed legislative and administrative outrages that besmirched the good name of the State. The political incidents involved in that struggle and in the fight for a new constitution, with its manifold blessings, were those that wrung the hearts of the people. The verdict of history is that the Democrats were on the wrong side of these conflicts. They are still wrong.

And who does not recall the incidents surrounding the final dawning of political light in Delaware? Some of the very Democrats who are at present so loudly mouthing expressions of loyalty to the State's good name outraged amid riotous partisan fury the laws of that State which they now profess to honor. Where in the conflict that immediately preceded the constitutional convention where those Democrats who are now so solicitous of the good name of the State?

Within a stone's throw of the building in which the resolutions of reformation were adopted at the recent State convention, some of the very men who sat in the convention were a few years ago violently trying to upset the will of the voters of their county and engaging in practices so shocking that Democrats like the late Edward Ridgely were moved to vehement protest.

And then consider the promise of candidates—of filling the office. True it is that the Democrats have been wiped from practically all the important offices of the State, but there is nothing in the standard of those who at present hold office to lead one to believe that the platform roses are not withered.

The Democratic party has sent men to the United States Senate whose record is not illustrative of high moral ideas or brilliant statesmenship. It has elected governors not likely to be canonized as saints. It has chosen congressman whose "recognized ability" made no impression there. It has filled county, State and city positions with some men whose conduct has brought the blush of shame upon the people.

Presumably from a Democratic State platform point of view these were all men of "recognized ability," "whose honesty, and integrity were unquestioned."—*Evening Journal.*

VETERANS OPPOSE BRYAN

Major General Daniel E. Sickles, Democrat, and Major General O. O. Howard, both of whom saw distinguished service in the Civil War, at present the highest ranking officers of the Civil War now living, are out against Bryan and Bryanism. This action is especially significant in the case of General Sickles, as he has been prominent in Democratic councils. General Sickles yesterday accepted the presidency of the Union Veterans' Patriotic League, re-organized to promote the election of Taft and Sherman. General Howard has been made national vice-president. Former Senator George W. Brush of New York, another Civil War veteran, will be national secretary and Colonel Weller E. Stover, of Delaware, a Spanish-American War veteran, will be assistant national secretary.

The league was first organized to procure the election of McKinley. Four years ago it was re-organized as a Roosevelt league, and this year the two major generals will ask every soldier of the Civil and the Spanish-American wars who has not answered the last roll call to show his love of country by voting for Taft and Sherman. While headquarters will be maintained in New York, branches will be organized in every Northern state in the Union.

General Sickles heads a list of two hundred prominent veterans who have signed an address to the Civil War veterans. The veterans are reminded that all the pension legislation ever enacted by Congress was made possible only by the representatives of the Republican party and that the Democratic representatives in nearly every instance had attacked and opposed such.—*New York Tribune.*

WHERE DOES BRYAN STAND!

In 1896 Mr. Bryan put free silver above every other consideration, going so far as to declare that unless that issue was accepted and applied the country would go to ruin—that there never would be another celebration of the Fourth of July.

In 1900 Mr. Bryan adhered to his silver policy, but made "imperialism" the paramount issue, attempting to frighten the country with a phantom of monarchial aggression. Accompanying this issue was that of "militarism," another monster of frightful mien, according to Mr. Bryan's drawings.

In 1904 Mr. Bryan was not responsible for the platform, bnt he supported a ticket he knew was nominated and backed by Wall Street, a ticket more completely subject to the Special Interests than any the Republican party ever put in the field.

At one time or another Mr. Bryan has declared for government owuership of railroads and for national initiative and referendum. And yet in the present campaign he is running on a platform that does not mention any of the issues here enumerated. And this too, in spite of the fact that Mr. Bryan has said that a man worthy to lead a great cause should be willing to die for it.

OPPOSING BRYAN IN VIRGINIA

Richmond, Va., Sept. 23.—That a strong undercurrent among Democrats against the candidacy of Bryan for the Presidency and favoring Judge Taft is sweeping throughout Virginia and threatening to weaken the party considerably in the national election, was shown at a meeting of 20 influential business men here, they forming a subcommittee of a body of 500 Democrats comprising the Democratic Taft Club. Signed pledges of all members have been secured, not one man of the club being a Republican, and not one of them will vote for any other Republican candidate other than Taft, in either local or national elections.

The work of the organization is being carried forward with the utmost secrecy, but it is claimed that the Richmond signers will hold in the near future a public meetting for the purpose of driving the wedge through the Democratic party of the State.

Judge Taft will be asked to again visit Virginia and to address the Democratic Taft Club in Richmond. His acceptance, however, because of many previous engagements, is in doubt.

In "solid" Virginia, so long Democratic, mention of the names of bank presidents, substantial business men and Democratic leaders, who have allied themselves with the new faction, has created a profound sensation.

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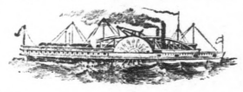

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The taxable residents of St. Georges Hundred, and all persons liable to pay tax in said Hundred, are hereby notified that the Taxes for the year 1908 are now due, and the undersigned Tax Collector for said Hundred, will be at the office of

JOSEPH H. ENOS, IN ODESSA,
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From 9.00 A. M. to 12.00 M.

AT HENRY CLEAVER'S STORE, IN PORT PENN,
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and at the County Tax Collector's Office, South Broad street, Middletown, Del., every Saturday during the month of September, from 9 A. M., to 4 P. M.

Tax bills can be obtained by making personal application to the Collector, or by sending written communication enclosing stamps.

EXTRACT FROM THE LAWS OF DELAWARE, GOVERNING THE COLLECTION OF TAXES OF NEW CASTLE COUNTY, SECTION 3, CHAPTER 30, VOLUME 21, LAWS OF DELAWARE, AS AMENDED:

Section 3—That on all taxes paid before the first day of October there shall be an abatement of five per centum. On all taxes paid before the first day of December there shall be an abatement of three per centum. On all taxes paid during the month of December there shall be no abatement whatever. And on all taxes unpaid on the first day of January five per centum thereof shall be added thereto.

WALTER BEASTEN,
Collector of Taxes for St. Georges Hundred.

NOTICE TO TAX-PAYERS —OF— APPOQUINIMINK HUNDRED!

The taxable residents of Appoquinimink Hundred, and all persons liable to pay tax in said Hundred, are hereby notified that the Taxes for the year 1908 are now due, and the undersigned Tax Collector for said Hundred, will be

AT THE OFFICE OF GEORGE M. D. HART,

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EXTRACT FROM THE LAWS OF DELAWARE, GOVERNING THE COLLECTION OF TAXES OF NEW CASTLE COUNTY:

Tax bills can be obtained by making personal application to the Collector, or by sending written communication enclosing stamps.

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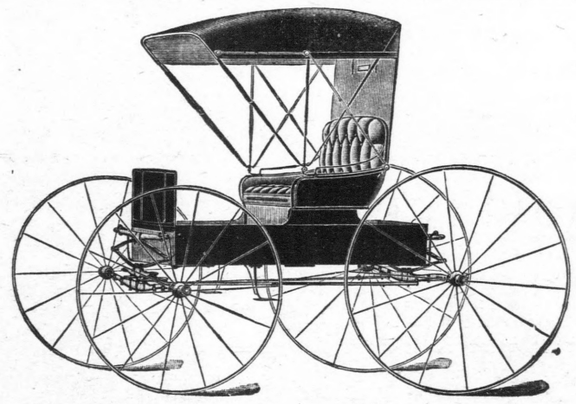

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Going North—7.25 a. m., 10.05 a.m., 4.05 p.m. 6.00 p. m. and 8 p. m.

Going South—8.00 a.m., 4.15 p. m., and 9 p.m

For Odessa—7.0 a. m., 8.30 a. m. 11.30 a. m., 4.50 p. m.

For Warwick, Cecilton and Earlville 9.20 a, m, and 4.45 p. m.

MIDDLETOWN, DEL., SEPT. 26, 1908.

Local News

Straw hat stacking time has arrived and felt is gradually taking the place of summer headgear.

Now that follow breaking is about completed wheat seeding will soon occupy the attention of the farmers.

Already the unmistakeable signs of Fall have arrived in the falling and coloring of the leaves in the woods and fields.

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If you need anythiny in fall goods come see our large stock that we received within the last week. A. FOGEL.

"Ten Nights In a Bar Room," a temperance drama, was played under a tent in Middletown, Thursday evening, before a large audience.

The remans of Mrs. Emily A. M., wife of Henry C. Hendrickson, of Millington, Md., was buried in St. Anne's Cemetery, near town, on Tuesday afternoon last.

The Cochran & Jones Lumber Co., have a full assortment of Lumber at their yard in Georgetown, Md., and are receiving larger quantities of lumber daily for their yard in Middletown. A trial order is solicited.

Mr. N. W. Guessford, who resides near Townsend, has sold a valuable young horse to a Mr. Murry, of Selbyville, for which he received a good price.

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After October 1st, the Library hours will be: Tuesdays, 3.30 to 5 P. M., Saturdays, 3 to 5 and 7 to 8.30 P. M. The Library will be open on Tuesday evenings for school children exclusively.

Baker's corn cannery has closed after a most successful season's work. At the beginning it was thought that the sugar corn crop would be short but the growers were agreeably surprised at the large crop they produced.

The two months old son of Mr. and Mrs. Talbert Williams died Thursday afternoon at three o'clock, and will be buried this (Saturday) morning at 10 o'clock in Forest Cemetery.

Sweet potatoes are becoming more plentiful in our markets and the price has dropped from 75 to 50 cents a basket. The usual sweetness and fine quality of the local potato is sadly wanting this year, however, owing, it is supposed, to the long drouth of the summer.

MISS L. M. SCOTT will have an Ostrich Plume sale on Saturday, September 26th. A matchless display. Be sure to see this collection. Will be sold for little more than cost FOR CASH. A good plume for 99c. Extraordinary value, $1.79.

Unclaimed Letters—The following list of letters remain unclaimed in the post office for the week ending Sept. 17: Miss Fannie C. Kane, Mrs. Mary Jane Wright, Paul Coyle, Charles T. Johnson, George McDowell, J. B. Sweeney, Hubert Wilmore.

A fellow known as John Lewis, visited the home of John Thomas, near Thomas's Corner, and after inducing Mr. Thomas to drink from a bottle, which he produced, relieved Thomas of his gold watch, $75 in cash and a check on Smyrna Bank for $200.

Mr. T V Leonhart has purchased the grocery business of Mr. William Brockson, and will open up to-day with a fresh line of groceries, meats, provisions, candies, etc., and will appreciate a share of your patronage. See his ad. in another column of this issue.

Mr. J. A. Cleaver collector of school and town taxes, will sit at the office of the Town Council on Tuesday and Wednesday of next week, September 29th and 30th for the purpose of collecting all unpaid taxes for the year 1908. Do not neglect to settle on one of the above dates, as you will lose the rebate of five per cent.

Mrs. Sarah Houston has removed from the dwelling on East Main street to the property recently vacated by Mr. W. B. Biggs on West Main street, and Mr. P. L. McWhorter who purchased the property vacated by Mrs. Houston, is now occupying his new home. Mr. R. A. Hawkins has removed to the dwelling on North Broad street vacated by Mr. McWhorter.

A farmer living at Summit Bridge has notified the police of Wilmington and Philadelphia to be on the lookout for a valuable horse and buggy stolen from him on Sunday night. The owner is anxious to locate the rig, as it is a very valuable one. These thefts are becoming quite frequent and are very annoying, to say nothing of the expense incurred in recovering their property.

While calling at the residence of Mr. Thomas Cochran, at an early hour Monday evening, Miss Corrine Mendenhall left her bicycle out in the street, and when she came out of the house 20 minutes later, the wheel was missing, and has not been found at this writing. A reward of $5 is offered for the return of the wheel and no questions asked.

"Much mystery surrounds the disappearance of a strange white man while returning on Saturday night from Odessa to his home in Appoquinimink hundred. In company with several colored men, he and a colored man got into a marsh by some means, and the colored man was rescued by someone, but the white man has not been found yet. Whether there is any foul play or not is a question, because the rescued one had his face badly cut and said his body was badly bruised and sore. The missing man has not yet been located."—Ex.

Wilt though take her for your "pard," for better or for worse; to have, to hold, to fondly guard, till hauled off in a hearse? Wilt though let her have her way, consult her many wishes, make the fires up every day, and help her with the dishes? to give her all the "stuff," her little purse will pack, buy her a monkey boa and muff, a little sacque? wilt though comfort and support her father, mother, Aunt Jemima, Uncle John, thirteen sisters, and a brother? And his face grew pale and blank, it was too late to jilt; as through the chapel floor he sank, he sadly said: "I wilt."—Ex.

The young ladies of the Middletown High School gave a delightful dance in the assembly room on Friday evening of last week, and a pleasant social evening was spent. Those present were: Miss Howell, Miss Maxwell, Miss Willey, Miss Jones, Miss McFaull, Miss Anna Van-Dyke, of Townsend; Misses Maude, Blanche and Elma Deakyne, Leanora Davis, Madeline Penington, Bertha Jones, Nellie Janvier, Ada Scott, Estella Beaston, Jessie Shepherd, Lola Ingram and Frances Beaston, of this town; and Messrs. Dan Jones and Hart Scott, of Townsend; Olin Davis and John Ernest, of Sassafras; Albert Donovan, Clarence George and Earl Pleasanton, of McDonough; Reece Darlington, Victor Jones, Ephraim Jolls, Woodall Cochran, Alfred Connellee, Benjamin Gibbs, Wallace Daniels and Irving Roberts of Middletown.

A GREAT SUCCESS

We would like to call your attention to the fact that our Spring and Summer Millinery season surpassed all our expectations and has been a great success by selling every hat we had in our store. Our motto is "Not to carry any goods over from one season to another." After our Spring and Summer Millinery success we find through the large patronage we received that the people of this town and vicinity are realizing the fact that we have fulfilled all the promises we made in our last Spring's announcement, that you can get in this store an up-to-date hat for a reasonable price.

We are prepared this Fall and Winter season to give you better service than ever before. We just remodeled our show room and added a private show room, which makes the most up-to-date and prettiest Millinery department south of Wilmington.

By having Miss Ruth E. Culp an expert Milliner and Trimmer, and purchasing a large stock of up-to-date goods, we will be in a better condition than ever to serve our patrons. Another feature this Fall is the purchase we made from a large New York Importer of a few up-to-date Imported Models from some of the world famous Paris Milliners, which will be displayed in our show rooms at our opening, the date of which will be announced in next week's paper.

Thanking you for past and future patronage,

Yours respectfully,
A. FOGEL.

ODESSA

Rev. D. J. Givan visited friends at Cheswold, several days of last week.

Mr. Joseph M. Armstrong left last week for Georgia, where he will spend sometime.

Mrs. Emma Rhoades, of Townsend, spent several days of last week with friends here.

Dr. and Mrs. Edward L. Duer are spending sometime with relatives in Wilmington.

Miss Emma B. Eccles is entertaining her cousin, Miss Lou Skellenger, of Wilmington.

Mr. George Hallman, of Washington, D. C., visited his many friends here on Saturday last.

Mrs. H. L. Schlucke has returned to Baltimore, after visiting at the home of T. J. Middleton.

Miss Geneva Ward left on Friday of this week for an extended visit with relatives in Chester, Pa.

Mr. Joseph G. Brown, wife and daughter, Miss Alice, are spending sometime at Delaware Water Gap.

Mrs. Wilson Marstellus, of Philadelphia, is visiting at the home of John Heldmyer and family.

Rev. D. J. Givan, wife and son Kenneth spent Wednesday at the home of Mr. J. Cleaver, near town.

Master Carl Morris, of Chester, Pa., is visiting at the home of his grandparents, William P. Rhein and wife.

Mr. and Mrs. John Webb, of Middletown, spent Sunday at the home of her sister, Mrs. Harry Lightcap.

Mrs. Willard E. Spicer and little son Erwin, of near McDonough, spent one day last week with friends here.

The public school reopened here on Monday of this week with the following teachers: Misses Frances Husband, Marian Mifflin and Lydia Dockerty.

Miss Jessie Lindle has returned to her home in Philadelphia, after a week's visit with her cousin, Miss Eva Josephs, near town. Miss Josephs accompanied her home.

LETTER TO W. R. COCHRAN

Middletown, Del.

Dear Sir: Our proposition is simply this:

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PERSONALITIES.

Mrs. J. H. Emerson, is visiting relatives in Wilmington.

Mr. Joshua Crossland was in Wilmington on Thursday.

Miss Mollie Bankert, of Philadelphia, is visiting Mrs. Harry Jones.

Mr. Edward Sparks and daughter, Miss Ethel, spent Monday in Wilmington.

Mr. T. S. Fouracre and daughter Carolyn were Wilmington visitors on Monday.

Miss Dora R. Price has returned home after a visit with friends at Massey's, Md.

Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Parker have returned home after two weeks stay at Atlantic City.

Miss Mary Dunning, of Philadelphia, is the guest of Mrs. J. B. Foard for a week.

Mrs. George S. Hopkins has returned from a visit to her daughter at Greenwood.

Mr. Fred S. Crouch is home from Atlantic City, where he has been spending the summer.

Mrs. W. V. Messick and Mrs. Wm. Roe, of Smyrna, spent Wednesday with Mrs. J. B. Messick.

John M. Rothwell, of Philadelphia, visited his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. Moody Rothwell, this week.

Mr. T. R. Bradshaw, of Pleasantville, N. J., was in town this week and paid our office a pleasant visit.

Mrs. E. A. Goldsborough and two daughters, of Warwick, spent Monday with Mrs. Albert Price.

Mrs. Trites and Miss Elizabeth Trites, of Wilmington, were guests of Miss Bessie S. Anderson over Sunday.

Dr. and Mrs. P. R. Smith returned home on Wednesday, after spending sometime with relatives down the state.

Mrs. Mary Jones, of New York, Miss Evelyn Kibler and Mr. George Kibler, of Chesapeake City, visited Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Foard this week.

OBITUARY

SAMUEL ROTHWELL BIGGS

Mr. Samuel Rothwell Biggs died at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Biggs on Cass street in this town, at 7.50 o'clock, Thursday evening in the 50th year of his age.

The news of his death was a great shock to his numerous friends here and in the west, where he spent several years of his useful life.

Deceased was born near Cecilton, Md., and attended Hackettstown, N. J., School, and also graduated from the School of Oratory in Philadelphia, and previous to his illness gave promise of making an able orator. Mr. Biggs was a 32d degree Mason, and in politics a Democrat.

He was a civil engineer, and had held important positions in Leaville, Col., New Mexico, Kansas, and other places, and when his health failed in 1897, his relatives and friends hoped he would soon recover, but in a few months he lost his eyesight, and all hopes of a useful career were suddenly endended.

He had been a great sufferer for many years, yet the bright faith which sustained him during those trying hours, only grew brighter as the long months and years passed by. Could we all live the just and upright life Samuel R. Biggs lived, and die in his trusting faith, death would bring a balm to the wounded heart. It may truly be said that his life was a noble example of patience and fidelity. He was a model of mental industry, and an honorable gentleman in the highest sense that term implies, and always extended a cordial greeting that lent a ray of light to brighten the pathway of his fellowmen in the journey of life. Besides his parents he leaves one sister to mourn his death, and every heart was touched with sympathy for the stricken ones, yet, He who "has borne our griefs and sorrows" will comfort and sustain.

Funeral services will be held at the residence of his parents at two o'clock Monday afternoon, and the interment will be made in Forest Cemetery.

BENJAMIN S. CLARK, JR.

Benjamin S. Clark, Jr., brother-in-law of Mr. J. H. Emerson, died at his home 1318 West Ninth street, Wilmington, at 9.30 o'clock Thursday morning, in his 53d year. Mr. Clark had been unwell for a long time, but was not considered dangerously ill. Mr. Clark was a frequent visitor here, and his many friends were shocked when told of his death. Funeral services will be held at his late residence on Sunday afternoon at one o'clock, and interment will be made in Wilmington Cemetery. Friends are invited to attend without further notice.

JOSHUA REED

Joshua Reed died at his home near Armstrong's Corner at 12 o'clock Wednesday night, after a lingering illness, aged 46 years. Mr. Reed was a farmer and had been a sufferer from consumption for several years, and for the past few months was confined to the house. He leaves a widow and four children. Funeral services will be held at Johntown Church, near Cecilton, this Saturday afternoon at one o'clock, and interment will be made in the adjoining cemetery.

GETTING READY FOR PRESBYTERY

The fall meeting of the Presbytery of New Castle will be held October 6 at Smyrna. Just what amount of business will be considered by the Presbytery is unknown as yet. There is a good deal of business anticipated, however, and a busy session for the two days the sessions will last is expected.

At the same time, the women's societies connected with the churches will hold their annual meetings at West Church, Wilmington, delegates being expected to attend from every part of the State, and the Eastern Shore of Maryland.

In former years the societies always convened with the Presbytery.

The Presbytery will probably consider the vacancies in two local pulpits caused by the resignations of Rev. T. A McCurdy, of Central Church, and Rev. W. F. D. Lewis, of Rodney Street Church.

There will be many ministers in attendance and as the meetings will extend over two days the citizens of Smyrna are already making preparations to entertain their guests.

CONSECRATION OF DR. KINSMAN

Presiding Bishop Tuttle of the Episcopal Church, has notified the Rev. E. L. Kirkus, rector of Trinity Church, Wilmington, that the consecration of the Rev. Dr. Frederick J. Kinsman, bishop-elect of Delaware, will take place on October 28th. Details of the consecration have not been announced. The confirmation by the standing committees of the dioceses of the country of the election has been received and Bishop Tuttle is now seeking to obtain the consent of the majority of the bishops. This formality is certain to be favorable and it is expected that a report will be made to the Rev. K. J. Hammond chairman of the standing committee of this diocese, early next month.

The consecration of an Episcopal Bishop is most impressive and is of high interest to the church at large. Many notable church dignitaries from this and other dioceses will attend. Five bishops are to take part in the ceremony, the presiding bishop, of course, being among them.

Dr. Kinsman is now in Maine. He will take possession of Bishopstead as the head of the Episcopal Church in Delaware immediately after his consecration. The date for the consecration of Dr. Kinsman has been awaited with much interest, as Dr. Kinsman is already very popular in this diocese as the result of his visit several months ago. His liberal churchmanship as made evident during that visit, makes him, in the opinion of Episcopal leaders here, a worthy successor of the late Bishop Coleman.

COLLAPSE OF BRIDGE

The first river span on the Cecil side of the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad bridge across the Susquehanna, near Frenchtown, Cecil County, Md., collapsed Wednesday morning at 6.45 o'clock under an eastbound freight train, precipitating six loaded coal cars into the river. No one was killed, and the only man hurt was Bridge Watchman Wilson, of Havre de Grace, who had a leg broken.

How the accident occurred is as yet unexplained. For several days the workmen had been engaged in erecting the falsework under that span of the bridge, preparatory to the erection of the double track structure. The supposition is that some part of this temporary construction was faulty, and gave way under the passing train. The locomotive crossed safely and was left standing on the east side of the bridge, and a number of cars on the west side. The falling bridge made an awful crash, and the river was filled with floating timber.

The accident occurred quarter of an hour before the men were to begin the day's work on the bridge. Had it happened that much later the loss of life would have been appalling.

The span that fell was 285 feet long, the iron work and all going down in the crash. To temporarily bridge the gap will require several weeks, and in the meantime the B. & O. trains will use the P., B. & W. tracks between Wilmington and Aberdeen.

THOMAS F. BAYARD IS CHAIRMAN

DOVER, Sept. 24.—The Democratic tangle over the choice of Kent county representation on the new State Central Committee was smoothed out at the first meeting of the new committee here yesterday afternoon. Dr. J. S. Cobb, who was re-elected on the committee in open convention, while Kent county's delegation was quarreling over the manner of the renomination of committeemen, sent his resignation. Wilson O. Moore, the West Dover man, who was named by a majority of the Kent delegation, was then elected by the committeee at its yesterday afternoon session.

Thomas F. Bayard was re-elected chairman of the State committee to conduct this, his second campaign. J. Thomas Lowe, of Little Creek, was elected vice-chairman, and John F. Malloy, of Wilmington, was elected treasurer. The committee mapped out a vigorous campaign. Every precinct in Wilmington and every election district in the State is to be invaded by "speaking bunches." With the perfection of these plans in view, the committee adjourned to meet in Wilmington next Wednesday. The national committee's Delaware corps will meet with them and probably all the State candidates will be present.

CHESAPEAKE CITY

Mrs. John Hudson is visiting Baltimore relatives.

Mr. Joshua Clayton, of Middletown, was in town on Saturday.

Bennett Johnson, of Newark, was in town over Sunday.

Richard Wallis has been visiting friends in Georgetown.

Mrs. Bessie Bouchelle and sons have returned to Baltimore.

William Johns, of Baltimore, spent several days last week with friends here.

Mrs. C. E. Clark has returned from a visit to Baltimore.

Miss Fanny Brooks has been visiting in Port Deposit.

Miss Nan Hayes is visiting her parents at Bear Station.

Mr. and Mrs. William Brown have returned from a visit in Salem, N. J.

William Montgomery, of Baltimore, spent Sunday here.

Mrs. J. W. Johnson is entertaining Miss Mamie Kershaw, of Wilmington.

Mrs. Z. T. Cooling, Jr., and son returned from Baltimore last week.

Dr. E. D. Graves, wife and sons have returned to Marietta, Pa.

Miss Nellie Carey, of Baltimore, spent last week with Mrs. Z. T. Cooling.

Miss Althea Price has returned to Washington, after an extended visit with relatives.

Mrs. Carrie Boulden was a Wilmington visitor on Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Lee Elliott and little son, of Newark, was the guest of her mother, Mrs. M. E. Willis, last Sunday.

Mr and Mrs. George Beaston, of Cecilton, spent Sunday with Mr. Andrew Beaston and wife.

Master Gillen Hargreaves has returned to DeLand, Fla., after spending the summer with his aunt here.

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TOWNSEND

Mrs. Venia Pinder, of Clayton, is visiting her brother, Mr. Otho Marvel.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Lattomus, of near Wilmington, have been visiting here.

Mr. Leon Jones, of near Smyrna, visited Otho Marvel and family on Sunday.

Messrs. Charles Dolson and Albert Morton are visiting Mrs. Lida Alfree, near town.

Mrs. Hall and daughter, of Philadelphia, spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Stubbles.

Miss Arrelee H. Lattomus left on Tuesday for the Mauravian Seminary at Bethlehem, Pa.

Miss Elsie Carey, of near Smyrna, spent from Friday until Monday with Miss Ethel V. Lee.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Collins, of Smyrna, were entertained at the home of Daniel Richardson on Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Gardner Shockley was the guests of her sister, Mrs. John Collins, near Kenton, on Sunday.

Mrs. Harman Reynolds and children returned home Friday, after at wo weeks' visit with her parents in Greensboro.

Mr. and Mrs. Olen MacSorley, of Baltimore, Md., visited his parents, Rev. and Mrs. F. C. MacSorley, Tuesday and Wednesday,

Miss Anna Jones, who has been confined to her home for the past two weeks on account of illness, returned on Saturday last to the State Normal School, West Chester, Pa.

WARWICK

Mr. T. Bayard Vinyard was at Harrington on Sunday.

Mrs. Louisa Crawford has been quite ill during this week.

Mr. E. E. Marsh visited Chestertown a few days of the past week.

Miss A. Estelle Marsh returned from Baltimore on Saturday last.

Miss Bessie Mitchell, of Atlantic City, is visiting her aunt, Miss Bessie W. Gunkle.

A few of our town people attended the Mass Meeting at Elkton Monday evening.

Mr. Robert Lipiscomb, of Wilmington, spent Sunday in town, the guest of his family.

Messrs. John H. M. Garner and T. P. DeVine were Wilmington visitors on Wednesday.

The infant of Mr. and Mrs. Wesley Woth was buried on Monday last, interment being made at Cecilton.

There will be preaching at the M. P. Church to-morrow morning at 10.30 o'clock, Rev. C. M. Cullom, pastor.

Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Conner entertained on Sunday Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Bolden and Mr. L. B. Manlove and wife.

Our public school was closed on Monday, owing to the funeral of Mr. Amos Wilson, who has been one of the trusteee for several years.

Miss Hattie Cullen and Mr. John Gill, of Middletown, were brief visitors at the home of Mrs. Earl Goldsborough one day during the past week.

CECILTON

Mr. A. Shaw spent Tuesday in Wilmington.

Robert Anderson spent part of last week in Annapolis.

Comegys Cosden, of Middletown, is visiting relatives in town.

Miss Christine Luthinger spent a few days with relatives in Philadelphia.

Mrs. Mary Black, of Philadelphia, was the guest of Mrs. J. T. Watts last week.

Messrs. G. M. Millikan and G. G. Morgan spent last Thursday in Wilmington.

A. W. Jones and wife, of Massey, were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. T. P. Jones on Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Jones, of Vineland, N. J., are the guests of Mr. and Mrs. John Coppage.

Miss Marion Clark left last week for Washington, D. C., where she resumed her duties as teacher.

Mr. M. Alexander and wife, of Wilmington, spent Saturday and Sunday with Mr. W. H. Brown and wife.

Messrs. Alexander Wilson, J. Cavender Rowan and James P. McCoy are spending this week in Elkton, attending court.

Rev. C. C. Baker, Messrs. J. H. Black, J. A. Watts and C. V. Hoover were in Philadelphia and Wilmington last week.

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IN THE PEW BY THE DOOR

BY EDITH COPEMAN HALSEY

I've only a minute to stay, Mrs. Morris announced, settling herself in a comfortable chair in the farmhouse kitchen. I stopped for your mail, but they said it was too late.

Mrs. Headley nodded toward a letter beside her. She never talked much when Mrs. Morris dropped in. She never needed to.

About David? questioned her guest.

From David, was the answer.

Well, responded Mrs. Morris, Dr. Wilson was saying last night that it was just wonderful, his being called to that church. I hear he went there to preach for 'em when their minister was going to leave, and some of the big bugs made up their minds they'd have him and nobody else. Lands! When I think of the way you took that helpless little baby and brought him up, and you a widow and no kin at all, and how you've sold most half of this little farm to educate him? My! I hope you'll get a little gratitude for it, and some reward!

David is my reward, quietly answered her hostess.

Oh, yes, of course. Then after a pause, I suppose the salary's awful big.

It seems so to me, was the reply.

Well, with a little look of disappointment, I must get along. I suppose you'll go up with Dr. Wilson to hear him preach his first sermon as pastor?

Then the old face opposite flushed a little.

Oh, no! It's so far and there will be so many people there, I suppose; oh, no, I couldn't go.

Mrs. Morris considered a moment. Well, I don't know. I should think you'd want to see how he looks among all the high flyers. Of course, it costs a lot to go so far, and (with a quick glance at the little figure before her) you mightn't feel real easy among 'em. Well, good-bye. Anyway, 'tain't as if he was your own.

Then she was gone and the sensitive soul was left with the sting, and the wound, and the pain.

He wasn't her own! He wasn't her own! Oh, the sharp, keen pain it brought her. She "might not feel easy among 'em." She knew that, but why did well meaning Mrs. Morris say it? She did not belong to the great world out there—David did! She, if she went to be present at that wonderful service, would hardly know how to act, unless—and she almost held her breath—unless she might slip in a rear seat where no one would notice her at all.

She picked up David's letter again; she had read every word of it four times that day. It said: You must come. Dr. Wilson will take care of you in the train, and then I will take care of you! Much more there was in the long letter. It doesn't sound as if he—and the thought sprang out at last—feels ashamed of the country mother. David would do his duty, anyway, and maybe I want too much. The tears rained over her face, but presently she lifted her head and asked herself what they had been for. Hadn't David always loved her? Hadn't he always been kind and good and attentive to her?

But down in her heart she knew that only David himself in some way could remove that haunting fear. He's no call to be so very grateful, she said in loving excuse. I'm a selfish, exacting old woman, that's what I am, shedding tears when I'd much better be thanking the Lord that my boy's able to preach! So she rose above the worry, stilled the voice in her heart that whispered, He isn't your own, he isn't like you, wrapped about her the mantle of unselfishness that she had always worn, and wrote David that she guessed she'd better not come.

But because of the great love in her heart, and because Dr. Wilson insisted, it came about that the mistress of the little farmhouse took the long journey, and found herself one of many who were entering a church that seemed to her stately and beautiful beyond the telling.

You must just let me slip in by the door, she whispered tremulously to the reverend gentleman beside her, and knowing how very tired she was, and seeing the frightened look on the gentle old face, he answered soothingly, Just as you say—just as you say.

He seated her carefully "back by the door," and then went to join the ministers already seated on the platform.

The tired little woman in the back of the church sat trembling with nervous excitement and fatigue. At first only a dreamy, dazed feeling possessed her. Then she was conscious that the great church was filled with people, people who seemed to belong to another world than her own.

That's Mr. Ferris, she heard some one say in a low tone behind her, as a tall, distinguished looking man passed the pew where she sat. He's one of the most prominent men in the church and worth millions!

Wonderful music was flooding the building, such music as she had dreamed she might hear in heaven. Then with timid, eager glance she was searching the palm decked platform for "her boy." Her eyes were dim, but she found him. He was grasping Dr. Wilson's outstretched hand and speaking softly to him. In that moment how her heart swelled with thanksgiving and cried out to God in praise.

How big—how distinguished—how handsome—how, oh, how good to look at he was even among all these splendid men up there! Then that little tormenting spirit that had no right in the farmhouse or in the city church whispered, But he isn't yours, he isn't your own, these are his people, you are not like them—why did you come?

Then as the tired head bowed to hide the great tears that shut out the face on the platform, David Holland's eyes, directed by Dr. Wilson, found her. Just a low spoken sentence to one of his brethern on the platform, a quick, courteous reply and he quietly stepped down, walked around by a side aisle, across the back of the church, and then paused beside the pew "back by the door."

Those sitting very near saw a hand rest on the shoulder of the little woman, who looked up startled as his voice said softly, Mother! Like a flash the heartache and the fear left her. The music trembled, and then burst forth in joyous might and power, and like one in a happy dream she was moving up the aisle leaning a little heavily upon the arm of her stalwart "boy."

Very near the platform he paused; a man rose quickly, stepped out into the aisle and motioned to a seat beside him. Have you room for my mother, Mr. Ferris? the young minister asked very softly, very distinctly. It will give us great pleasure, the other responded quickly. Then she sat down and David was back in his place.

But, oh, the heaven-sent bliss of it all! She never knew that hundreds of eyes had filled with tears as they saw the minister they had chosen, leading so tenderly the white-haired old lady to "her place" among them. She did not know that the grave, dignified men on the platform looked on with a new feeling of love for, and pride in, their brilliant young brother. She did not know that, as he walked up that broad aisle there was in David Holland's heart a strong desire to cry out to all these, his people—Look at her—look at her—at the bravest, purest, most unselfish soul that ever lived—look at her and be like her!

She only knew as she sat there, her sweet old face aglow with a wonderful light, that she was happy, happy, happy!

A divine melody sang itself in her heart. The great congregation rose to its feet. They sang the joy song, too—Joy to the world, the Lord is come. Oh, yes, that was the word. Joy—joy! He wasn't ashamed of me. He's mine, my own. Have you room for my mother? That was what he had said—for "my mother!" Down in the depths of her heart, she knew he was glad to call her that.

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USEFUL THINGS TO KNOW

No part of the body feels heat more than the head, and to prevent the hair from being injured the scalp must be given as much ventilation as may be throughout the night. No matter how thin the hair may be, it should be divided by a part from forehead to neck and two braids made, each just back of each ear. This draws the hair away from that part of the head that is most heated during the day and refreshes it.

A spoonful of vinegar put into the water in which meats or fowl are boiled makes them tender.

It is said that to butter a cracker and sprinkle it with cayenne pepper will induce sleep after eating.

A hole in the spout of an agate teakettle can be mended by cutting a small piece of cork and forcing it into the opening.

Do not neglect to frequently pour household ammonia, or some other disinfectant, down all waste pipes.

To make a rubber plant throw out branches tie a small sponge around the main stem where a leaf joins and keep it moist all the time.

When cutting a tomato pass the knife frequently over the freshly cut surface of a large onion. The resulting flavor is indescribably delicate.

To prevent cheese from getting mouldy, wrap it in a cloth that has been dipped in vinegar and wrung as dry as possible. Keep in a cool place.

A small glass of jelly beaten, a little at a time, into the cake or pudding frosting, will add greatly to its appearance and taste. A little coloring adds to its attractiveness.

Persons whose hands easily become chapped should thoroughly rinse the hands with fresh water after they have been washed with soap, being careful to wipe them perfectly dry.

For okra soup such as one finds in the South, boil slowly a shin of beef in five quarts of water with about fifty okras and a few tomatoes for seven hours. Then season with salt and red pepper.

Don't throw away your scraps of velvet. They can be used as cleaners for all sorts of things.

Keep all the kitchen utensils in one place, and a small one at that; it will save time and steps.

Alcohol and whiting makes a good silver polish and is excellent for polishing plate glass or mirrors.

Olive oil will remove tar stains from dress goods. Wash afterward with white soap and tepid water.

A weak solution of turpentine poured down the water pipes once a week will drive the water bugs away.

Sweet apples will cook better and have a more delicious flavor if a little lemon juice or pure cider vinegar is added.

If lettuce is kept for several hours it should be laid on a wet towel and placed on the cellar floor or in the refrigerator.

Unpainted wood will remain white if scrubbed with cold water and soap; hot water and strong alkali will make the wood yellow.

When washing pongee silk never wring it at all. Simply hang it on the line and let the water drip out. Iron with a warm iron when dry.

If the sink pipe is clogged remove the strainer and insert the hose into it and turn the water on full force. In almost all cases it cleans the pipe.

Few people realize the value of lemons which cannot be overestimated; in cases of fever, sore throat or torpid liver the medicinal qualities are unexcelled. Following are twenty uses for lemons:

1. Two or three slices of lemons in a cup of strong tea will cure a nervous headache.

2. A teaspoonful of juice in a small cup of black coffee will relieve a bilious headache.

3. The juice of half a lemon in a cup of hot water taken on awakening in the morning is an excellent liver corrective and successful substitute for calomel and other alterative drugs.

4. A dash of lemon juice in plain water makes a cleansing tooth wash, not only removing the tartar, but sweetening the breath.

5. A lotion of lemon juice and rose water will remove tan and whiten the skin.

6. Lemon juice and olive oil is far superior to vinegar for a salad dressing—equal parts used for blending.

7. Lemon juice and loaf sugar is good for hoarseness.

8. Outward application of the juice allays irritation caused by insect bites.

9. A refreshing drink is made by adding a freshly beaten egg to lemonade, and,

10. The same mixture when frozen makes a delicious ice.

11. If when boiling sago or rice a teaspoonful of lemon juice is added, the kernels will be whiter and a delicate flavor is imparted.

12. An old-fashioned remedy for croup, we remember, is honey, alum and lemon juice.

13. We all know the value of salt and lemon juice for removing rust stains from white goods.

14. After the juice is extracted the rind dipped in salt cleanses brass beautifully and conveniently.

15. It also removes unsightly stains from the hands.

16. For flavoring cookery, lemon juice is unexcelled.

17. After the pulp is removed the skins make dainty receptacles for serving salads, ices, etc.

18. Tough meat can be made tender by adding a teaspoonful of lemon juice to the water in which it is boiled.

19. Slices of lemon garnish fish of all description.

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Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the State of Delaware in General Assembly met; (two-thirds of all the members elected to each House agreeing):

SECTION 1. That the following amendment be and the same is hereby proposed to Section 15 of Article 2 of the Constitution of Delaware;

That the word "five" be stricken out of the third line of said Section 15 Article 2 of the Constitution, and the word "ten" be inserted in lieu thereof, and the word "six" be stricken out of the fourth line of Section 15, Article 2 of the Constitution, and the word "twelve" be inserted in lieu thereof.

RICHARD HODGSON,
Speaker of the House.
ISAAC T. PARKER,
President of the Senate.

I, Joseph L. Cahall, Secretary of State of the State of Delaware, do hereby certify that the above and foregoing is a true and correct copy of House Bill No. 312, entitled "An Act Proposing an Amendment to Section 15 of Article 2 of the Constitution of the State of Delaware, relating to the Compensation of the Members and Presiding Officers of the General Assembly," as the same appears on the enrolled bill filed in the office of the Secretary of State, which said bill proposing such amendment to the Constitution of this State is published in accordance with the requirements of the Constitution of the state.

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and official seal, at Dover, this twenty-fifth [SEAL] day of July, in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and eight.

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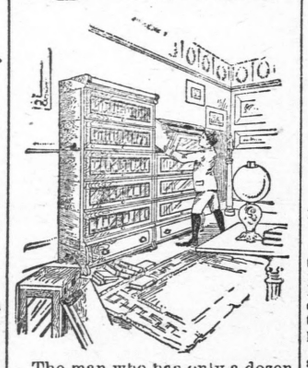

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Upon the application of Ellen Bradley Administratrix of Emily Whitlock late of St. Georges Hundred, in said county, deceased, it is ordered and directed by the Register of Wills that the Administratrix aforesaid give notice of granting of Letters of Administration upon the estate of the deceased, with the date of granting thereof, by causing advertisements to be posted within forty days from the date of such letters in six of the most public place of the County of New Castle, requiring all persons having demands against the estate to present the same, or abide by an act of Assembly in such case made and provided; and also cause the same to be inserted within the same period in the Middletown Transcript a newspaper published in Middletown, Delaware, and to be continued therein ten times.

Seal

Given under the hand and seal of office of the Register of Wills aforesaid, at Wilmington, in New Castle County aforesaid, the day and year above written.

FRANCIS M. WALKER, Register of Wills.

NOTICE—Notice is hereby given that Letters of Administration were in due form of law granted unto the undersigned, on the 3rd day of March A. D. 1908, and that all persons having claims against the estate of the deceased must present the same, duly attested, to said Administratrix, on or before the Third day of March, 1909, or abide the Act of Assembly in such case made and provided.

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